EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO ALL REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, SEX, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION, AGE OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION. IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE STATE WORKPLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE, THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

## **CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

# STAFF SERVICES MANAGER III SPOT EXAM: SACRAMENTO

**DEPARTMENTAL PROMOTIONAL:** Applicants must have a permanent civil service appointment with the Department of Veterans Affairs as of the final filling date.

FINAL FILING DATE: OCTOBER 14, 2004

**HOW TO APPLY:** Applications (Form 678) must be postmarked no later than the final filling date. Applications postmarked, personally delivered or received via interoffice mail after the final filling date will not be accepted for any reason.

SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO: CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Human Resources Division 1227 "O" Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 ATTN: Exam Unit

Submit applications only to address indicated above. Do not submit to the State Personnel Board.

If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box in Part 2 of the "Applications for Examination." You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

**NOTE:** Accepted applicants are required to bring either a photo identification card or two forms of a signed identification to the examination.

**EXAMINATION DATE:** No written test is required. It is anticipated that interviews will be held during October/November, 2004.

**SALARY RANGE:** \$6,334.00 - \$6,984.00

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION:

**NOTE:** All competitors must meet the education and/or experience requirements when submitting their application unless there is an early entry feature, it is your responsibility to make sure that you meet the education and/or experience requirements stated below. Your signature on your application indicates that you have read, understood, and possess the basic qualifications.

**NOTE:** All applications/resumes must include: "to" and "from" date (month/day/year); time base; and class title. Applications/resumes received without this information will be rejected.

Qualifying experience may be combined on a proportionate basis if the requirements stated below include more than one pattern and are distinguished as "Either" I, "or" II, "or" III, etc. For example, candidates possessing qualifying experience amounting to 50% of the requirement time Pattern I, and additional experience amounting to 50% of the requirement time Pattern II, may be admitted to an examination as meeting 100% of the overall experience requirement.

#### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

#### Either I

One year of experience in the California state service performing the duties of a Staff Services Manager II (Supervisory) or Staff Services Manager II (Managerial).

## Or II

One year of experience in the California state service performing analytical staff duties of a class with a level of responsibility not less than that of Staff Services Manager II (Supervisory) or Staff Services Manager II (Managerial). **And** 

Current employment in a class with a level of responsibility not less than that of Staff Services Manager II (Supervisory) or Staff Services Manager II (Managerial).

#### Or III

Two years of experience in the California state service performing the duties of a Staff Services Manager I.

#### Or IV

**Experience:** Five years of increasingly responsible management, personnel, fiscal, planning, program evaluation, or related analytical experience which shall have included the preparation of reports and the presentation of recommendations to management beyond the trainee level, at least two years of which must have been in a supervisory capacity. [Experience in the California state service applied toward this requirement must include two years performing the duties of a class with a level of responsibility not less than that of Staff Services Manager II (Supervisory) or Staff Services Manager II (Managerial).] (In appraising experience more weight will be given to the breadth of pertinent experience and the evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of the experience.) **AND** 

Education: Equivalent to graduation from college. (Additional qualifying experience may be substituted for the required education on a year-for-year basis.)

SPECIAL PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS: Demonstrated ability to act independently, open-mindedness, flexibility and tact.

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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### STAFF SERVICES MANAGER III (Contd.)

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**THE POSITION:** The Staff Services Manager III level has the full management and supervisory responsibility in charge of a major Staff Services function, or functions, when it is so unusually large and complex as to require subordinate supervisors at the Senior level on a subfunctional or geographic basis. In those cases where the supervisory and management responsibility is minimum, it must be balanced out by responsibility for a function with multidepartmental or statewide impact requiring skills and knowledge at the highest level with responsibility for work of the most critical or sensitive nature as relates to a department's primary mission.

**EXAMINATION INFORMATION:** This examination will consist of a qualifications appraisal interview only. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of a 70% must be attained in the interview. COMPETITORS WHO DO NOT APPEAR FOR THE INTERVIEW WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS APPRAISAL - WEIGHTED 100%**

**SCOPE:** In addition to evaluating the competitors' relative abilities as demonstrated by quality and breadth of experience, emphasis in the examining interview will be on measuring competitively, related to job demands, each competitor's:

#### A. Knowledge of:

- 1. Principles, practices, and trends of public and business administration, including management and supportive staff services such as budget, personnel, management analysis, planning, program evaluation, or related areas.
- 2. Principles and practices of employee supervision, development, and training.
- 3. Program management.
- 4. Formal and informal aspects of the legislative process.
- 5. The administration and department's goals and policies.
- 6. Governmental functions and organization at the State and local level.
- 7. Department's equal employment opportunity program objectives.
- A Manager's role in the equal employment opportunity program and the processes available to meet equal employment opportunity objectives.

#### B. Ability to:

- Reason logically and creatively and utilize a variety of analytical techniques to resolve complex governmental and managerial problems.
- 2. Develop and evaluate alternatives.
- 3. Analyze data and present ideas and information effectively both orally and in writing.
- 4. Consult with and advise administrators or other interested parties on a wide variety of subject-matter areas.
- 5. Gain and maintain the confidence and cooperation of those contacted during the course of work.
- 6. Review and edit written reports, utilize interdisciplinary teams effectively in the conduct of studies.
- 7. Manage a complex Staff Services program.
- 8. Establish and maintain project priorities.
- 9. Develop and effectively utilize all available resources.
- 10. Effectively contribute to the department's equal employment objectives.

**ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION**: The list will be abolished 24 months after it is established unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list warrant a change in this period.

Veterans Preference Credit is not granted in promotional examinations.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

It is the **candidate's responsibility** to contact the California Department of Veterans Affairs three days prior to the written test if he/she has not received his/her notice. **For an examination** without a written feature it is the candidate's responsibility to contact the California Department of Veterans Affairs, Personnel Management Division, (916) 653-2535 three weeks after the final filing date if he/she has not received a progress notice.

If a candidate's notice of oral interview or performance test fails to reach him/her prior to the day of the interview due to a verified postal error, he/she will be rescheduled upon written request.

Applications are available at State Personnel Board offices, local offices of Employment Development Department and the Department noted on the front. If you meet the requirements stated on the reverse, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on the other side of this bulletin will be compared with the performance of the others who take this test, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

The State Personnel Board reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service law and rules and all competitors will be notified.

**Examination Location:** When a written test is part of the examination, it will be given in such places in California as the number of candidates and conditions warrant. Ordinarily, oral interviews are scheduled in Sacramento, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. However, locations of interviews may be limited or extended as conditions warrant.

**Eligible Lists:** Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) subdivisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multidepartmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in from one to four years unless otherwise stated on this bulletin.

**Promotional Examinations only:** Competition is limited to employees who have a permanent civil service appointment. Under certain circumstances other employees may be allowed to compete under provisions of Rules 234, 235, and 235.2. State Personnel Board Rules 233, 234, 235.2 and 237 contain provisions regarding civil service status and eligibility for promotional examinations. These rules may be reviewed at departmental personnel offices or at the information counter of State Personnel Board Offices.

**General Qualifications:** Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, and ability to work cooperatively with others; and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history and fingerprinting may be required.

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Interview Scope: If an interview is conducted, in addition to the scope described on the other side of this bulletin, the panel will consider education, experience, personal development, personal traits, and fitness. In appraising experience, more weight will be given to the breadth and recency of pertinent experience and evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of his/her experience. Evaluation of a candidate's personal development will include consideration of his/her recognition of his/her own training needs; his/her plans for self-development; and the progress he/she has made in his/her efforts toward self-development.

**High School Equivalence:** Equivalence to completion of the 12<sup>th</sup> grade may be demonstrated in any one of the following ways: 1) passing the General Educational Development (GED) Test; 2) completion of 12 semester units of college-level work; 3) certification from the State Department of Education, a local school board, or high school on a year-for-year basis.

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